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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CONTEMPT PETITION NO.87 OF 2007
IN
WRIT PETITION NO.7807 OF 2006

Dheeraj Dongarsing Dhanawat Petitioner
versus
The State of Maharashtra & ors. Respondents

Mr.V.Z.Kankaria for petitioner.
Mr.D.A.Patil, AGP for State.

CORAM : A.S.OKA, J.

DATE : 15th March 2007

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1. The petitioner has alleged that the respondents have committed breach of the order dated 6th December 2006 passed by the Division Bench of this Court in Writ Petition No.7807 of 2006. By the said order, the Caste Scrutiny Committee was directed to dispose of the proceedings relating to the caste verification of the petitioner within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of the order.

2. Shri Kankaria appearing for the petitioner

invited my attention to the order passed by the Apex Court in Civil Appeal No.826 of 2007 which according to him requires the petitioner to produce the caste validity certificate by 21st March 2007.

3. Learned AGP has placed reliance on affidavit of Shri Chintamani Vasant Nandekar, Member Secretary and Research Officer of the Caste Scrutiny Committee. In the affidavit it is stated that the certified copy of the order dated 6th December 2006 passed by the Division Bench was received by the Registrar of the Scrutiny Committee on 16th December 2006 and, time to decide the matter will expire on 16th March 2007. It is stated in the affidavit that as per the request made by the advocate for the petitioner, the Scrutiny Committee has kept the matter for hearing tomorrow i.e. 16th March 2007. Considering the order of the Apex Court pointed out by the advocate for the petitioner, the learned AGP on instructions of the Member Secretary of the Caste Scrutiny committee states that the order will be passed by the Scrutiny Committee tomorrow i.e. on 16th March 2007 and a copy of the order will be made available to the petitioner or his father by Saturday, 17th March

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2007. The statement made in the affidavit-in-reply and the oral statement made by the AGP on instructions are accepted.

4. In view of the aforesaid statements, no further action is called for in this contempt petition. The show cause notice issued to the second respondent is dropped. Petition is disposed of.

(A.S.OKA, J.)